

these capabilities are enhanced and to send a clear signal to you that we want you and the community to do more. We want you to do more, we want you to do it sooner, we want you to do it quicker, and we need to you to do it better, because it continues to be an area that we have significant concern about.

And as we do this, what we are doing is we are taking money, again, as I identified, from programs, various sources in the media where some of these earmarks have been public and where various other government auditing agencies have taken a look at these programs and said: Wait a minute. This is duplicative, it is not effective, and it maybe doesn't even add anything to the intelligence capabilities of the United States of America.

So you have people in the intelligence community wondering and saying, if this is so important, if HUMINT is so important, then why are we funding these other types of programs, these Member requests?

This motion to instruct sends a very, very clear signal that says Member priorities are no longer Member priorities. As a matter of fact, the priority of this committee, the priority of this Congress, is to put the money where it needs to be and to put it in places that fills the gaps that we have identified in the intelligence community. And the biggest gap and the biggest area of weakness that we have today is human intelligence.

This sends a clear signal to the intelligence community that we have our priorities right; that it is about them and it is not about this House or individual Members or individual Members' districts; that it is about the bigger objective of getting things done in the intelligence community at a time when this country continues to be at risk, whether it is the nonstate actors, people like al Qaeda, other radical jihadist groups and those types of threats, or whether it is the threats that come from state actors, whether it is North Korea, whether it is Iran, whether it is Russia, whether it is Venezuela, or whatever emerging threat that is out here, it sends a very, very clear and distinct message that says those are our priorities, that is where we want to put our money, that is where the threats come from. And, as a signal of being aligned with the intelligence community, we as a committee and we as a Congress are willing, and not only willing, we are mandating, we are instructing the conferees to give up their earmarks, to give up their Member projects, to make sure that we get maximum effect for the dollars that we are spending in this area.

That is what this motion to instruct is about. It is about getting maximum effectiveness for the dollars that we allocate into the community. We spend a lot of money in this area, but we all know that some of the results that we get have not been the kind of leading edge or providing us with the insights

into the threats that we would like to have. This motion to instruct says, clearly, it is not going to be about us taking money from the intelligence community and putting them into Member projects; it is going in the other direction, to make sure that if the intelligence community comes up short, but we really believe that it won't come up short, that we will be providing it with the resources that will enable it to do the job that we need it to do.

That is why this is an important motion to instruct. That is why we are asking our colleagues to support this motion to instruct, to make sure that we have got alignment between the Congress, and that we have got alignment between Congress and the intel community, and making sure that we put the dollars where they make the most difference and where they will be most effective. That is why I ask my colleagues to vote for this motion to instruct, to send a clear signal to the conferees as to where they want to go and where they need to go and what we want to see coming back from the conferees in a conference report: A bill that focuses resources on what will build this community and not what may build things within a Members' district.

Let's put the resources where they need to be. Let's put the resources addressing some of the weaknesses that this committee has identified through its oversight process over the last 12 months. Vote for this motion to instruct.

I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the previous question is ordered on the motion to instruct.

There was no objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion to instruct.

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the noes appeared to have it.

Mr. HOEKSTRA. Madam Speaker, I object to the vote on the ground that a quorum is not present and make the point of order that a quorum is not present.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, further proceedings on this question will be postponed.

The point of no quorum is considered withdrawn.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until approximately 6:30 p.m. today.

Accordingly (at 5 o'clock and 56 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess until approximately 6:30 p.m.

□ 1830

AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro

tempore (Mrs. JONES of Ohio) at 6 o'clock and 30 minutes p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, proceedings will resume on questions previously postponed.

Votes will be taken in the following order:

Motions to suspend the rules with regard to H.R. 3998 and H.R. 3887;

Motion to instruct on H.R. 2082; and

Motion to suspend the rules with regard to House Resolution 837.

The first electronic vote will be conducted as a 15-minute vote. Remaining electronic votes will be conducted as 5-minute votes.

AMERICA'S HISTORICAL AND NATURAL LEGACY STUDY ACT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 3998, as amended, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentlewoman from Guam (Ms. BORDALLO) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 3998, as amended.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 326, nays 79, not voting 26, as follows:

[Roll No. 1123]

YEAS—326

Abercrombie	Buyer	Edwards
Ackerman	Camp (MI)	Ehlers
Aderholt	Campbell (CA)	Ellison
Alexander	Capito	Ellsworth
Allen	Capps	Emanuel
Altmire	Capuano	Emerson
Andrews	Cardoza	Engel
Arcuri	Carnahan	English (PA)
Baca	Carney	Eshoo
Baird	Castle	Etheridge
Baker	Castor	Everett
Baldwin	Chandler	Fallin
Barrow	Clarke	Farr
Bartlett (MD)	Clay	Fattah
Bean	Cleaver	Feeney
Becerra	Clyburn	Ferguson
Berkley	Cohen	Filner
Berman	Cole (OK)	Forbes
Berry	Conyers	Fortenberry
Biggart	Cooper	Fossella
Blibray	Costa	Frank (MA)
Billirakis	Costello	Frelinghuysen
Bishop (GA)	Courtney	Garrett (NJ)
Bishop (NY)	Cramer	Gerlach
Bishop (UT)	Crenshaw	Giffords
Blackburn	Crowley	Gilchrest
Blumenauer	Cuellar	Gillibrand
Bonner	Cummings	Gonzalez
Bono	Davis (AL)	Gordon
Boozman	Davis (CA)	Granger
Boren	Davis (IL)	Graves
Boswell	Davis, Lincoln	Green, Al
Boucher	Davis, Tom	Green, Gene
Boustany	DeFazio	Grijalva
Boyd (FL)	Delahunt	Gutierrez
Boyda (KS)	Dent	Hall (NY)
Brady (PA)	Diaz-Balart, L.	Hare
Brady (TX)	Diaz-Balart, M.	Harman
Braley (IA)	Dicks	Hastings (FL)
Brown (SC)	Dingell	Hastings (WA)
Brown-Waite,	Doggett	Heller
Ginny	Donnelly	Hensarling
Buchanan	Doyle	Herseth Sandlin
Butterfield	Drake	Higgins